EMERGENCY ESCAPES AND RESCUE OPENINGS

Emergency escapes in residential occupancies shall be in accordance with the **Tucson Fire Code Section 1009 Emergency Escapes and Rescue Openings.**

1009.2 Minimum size. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall have a minimum net clear opening of 5.7 square feet (0.53 m2)

<u>1009.2.1</u> Minimum dimensions. The minimum net clear opening height dimensions shall be 24 inches (610 mm). The minimum net clear opening width dimension shall be 20 inches (508 mm). The net clear opening dimension shall be the result of normal operation of the opening.

<u>1009.4</u> Operational constraints. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall be operational from the inside of the room without the use of keys or tools. Bars, grilles, grates, or similar devices are permitted to be placed over emergency escape and rescue openings provided the minimum net clear opening size complies with Section 1009.2 and such devices shall be releasable or removable from the inside without the use of a key, tool, or force greater than that which is required for normal operation of the escape and rescue opening. Where such bars, grilles, grates, or similar devices are installed in existing buildings, smoke alarms shall be installed regardless of the valuation of the alteration.

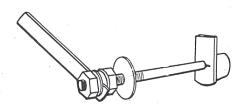
Bars, grills and grates are prohibited on bedroom windows or any other rooms used for sleeping purposes unless all of the items below are met:

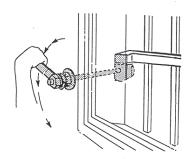
- 1. The bars, grills or grates have a quick release that can be opened from the inside without a key and no special knowledge or effort is needed to operate the mechanism.
- 2. The release mechanisms are maintained operable (they actually work).
- 3. The building is equipped with smoke detectors.

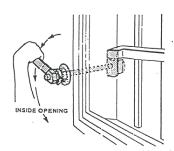
Following drawings are just some examples of the types of window locks.

LEVER RELEASE

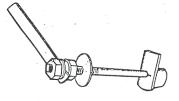
Simple to operate







REQUIRES ONLY 1/2" HOLE
THRU WALL. SPRING LOADED:
(SPRING REMAINS IN CYLINDER
HEAD WHEN WINDOW GUARD
IS OPENED). A SIMPLE TURN
OF THE ADJUSTING NUT ALLOWS
FULL ADJUSTMENT FOR ALL
WALL THICKNESSES. COMPLETE
WITH "D" SHAFT AND "D" HOLE
HANDLE



TURNING NUT ALLOWS FULL ADJUSTMENT TO WALL THICKNESS. SPRING LOADED TO "POP OPEN" GUARD WHEN RELEASED. NO FIELD WELDING REQUIRED.

FOOT RELEASES SINGLE & DUAL POINT



SINGLE POINT RELEASES- AVAILABLE FOR FRAMED WINDOW GRILLES OR WHEN YOUR GRILL IS STIFF ENOUGH.

